1973 ANNUAL PARISH REPORT

CHURCH OF SAINT MATTHIAS

7485 Briar Road, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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FROM THE RECTOR'S DESK

I was looking over the report I made in last year's Annual Report, and realized that there could be little change I could make in this one, except to announce that the fears we expressed in 1972 have now become a realization, and that we have petitioned the Diocese for a change in status, so that we would be eligible for assistance in the coming year.

If we could only understand -

(a) why parents are willing for their children to come to Church School and Church, but will not have a meaningful spiritual life of their own; or

(b) why so many of our members seem satisfied with only a nominal involvement in the life and worship of their Church; or

(c) why members will pledge a definite amount for the support of the Church's program - often a minimal pledge, at best - and then use only the envelope for the Service they attend; or

(d) why so many activities of our life as a parish family go unsupported; or

(e) why an appreciable number of our members make no pledge at all; or

(f) why some accept the privileges of Church membership without accepting any of the responsibilities; or

(g) why, in some families, the husband is active but the wife is not, or the wife is active but the husband is not; or

(h) why people are lax about arranging to transfer to our parish from their former church home, or apply for Confirmation if they come to us from another denomination, or ask for Baptism for un-Baptized children; then

- the problems that presently confront us would, in great measure, find solution, and our future well-being would be assured. We have been facing these problems, and are determined to solve them in the year ahead.

The year has had its quota of successes and disappointments. We have been in the throes of growth in the Church School, with a membership now of more than 50 Officers, Teachers, and Pupils, with competent staff, and a meaningful teaching program. One difficulty lies in the large percentage of absenteeism, and we are hoping that this will change.

Attendance at the services of worship has not improved over past years, and this should be one of our objectives in 1974: to improve attendance - to draw more people to our services of worship.

In the last summary relating to financial support of the parish, it was noted that less than half of our membership have pledged all of our income from this source. I am sure that many of those who do not pledge are young people, older folk on a severely restricted income, and those in process of being Transferred or Confirmed. Does it also contain those who have been lax about pledging? Please realize that pledging is the only type of giving upon which we can develop our annual Budget, and that a congregation that gives full support to the parish program is one that is fulfilling its mandate to "work and pray and give", as defined in the Confirmation rite.

To work and pray and give - fully - would bring us close to the amount we will need in 1974 to fully support our program here at the Church of Saint Matthias, would fully staff our Altar Guild, our Senior and Junior Choirs, our Acolytes' Guild, and our Churchwomen, and, hopefully, re-constitute a chapter of Episcopal Young Churchmen in our parish. Moreover, we have been searching to find ways of adding to our income from outside sources, and we shall continue earnestly to do so.

The year of 1973 has been one of loss to the parish through death of many of our older members: Agnes Otto, William Watson, F. Phyllis Livezey, Sarah PZoetz, and William Johnson. How reluctantly do I add the name of Mary Jane Mauch to this list. How much a wife adds to the life, the dreams, and the aspirations of a husband is realized fully only after the wife has passed away. How much she contributed to the life and work of this parish is as apparent to you as her terrible loss is to me.

"May the souls of the Faithful Departed rest in
peace, and may Light Perpetual shine upon them"

My prayer for 1974 is that we continue to seek to do His will as fully as He reveals it to us; that we stand just as tall as we are capable as children of the Father; that we stedfastly show His face to those that walk in darkness; that we treat all people as His; and that we all become actively involved in this parish, so that she can herself stand tall in her destiny, a vineyard in which we can labor, grow, and love.

Charles B. Mauch
Rector

RECTOR'S WARDEN REPORT

This report I believe, is the most difficult one I have ever had to write during my years of service in the Church of Saint Matthias. The loss of Mrs. Mauch (Mary Jane) in July was a major loss to the Parish. Not only because of her being the Rector's wife, but because of the many contributions she made of her talent, all unobtrusively. We know that she has gone on to greater things in the service of our Lord, and while the Parish feels her passing, her influence has left a lasting mark on our Parish life.

To list the actual happenings over the past year is no great problem, for most of them are shown in the other reports in this brochure. However, the agonizing, sweat and tears of some of our members that made these events possible will never be reported.

Our numbers of contributing members are still shrinking, and the activities which are so much a part of an active Parish are rapidly fading into limbo. We have no Youth activity, no effective Young Married Group, the Acolyte Guild is a name only, and the Men's Club long a thing of the past.

One of the organizations still functioning is the Altar Guild, composed of four dedicated ladies whose work does so much to enhance the beauty of our Church. The advent of Mrs. Kritler to this group is greatly appreciated by all.

The Women of the Church are more than ever the back bone of the Parish, and their daily efforts resulted in gifts to the Church totaling $1,000.00 this past year, which kept our deficit from being 25% greater.

We have always had Ushers at our services, tho not always the men scheduled for that particular day.

Our Choirs have really been depleted, and many thanks are due to those members who are still giving of their time and talents under difficult conditions.

Your Vestry has had many in depth discussions, trying to evolve ways of drawing more interested people into the work of our Church, without too much success.

There are two areas where our newer members were outstanding:-

1. Church School - this is totally staffed by our newer members under the direction of Mr. Lionel King, whose interesting report is included elsewhere.
2. The Dinner held in conjunction with the Bazaar. The girls who, under the direction of Mrs. Carmint, waited on tables, were from our Church School and/or Youth Choir.

The Youth Choir helped immeasureably during the latter part of the year, but their interest seems to have waned.

The various committees of the Vestry functioned in a satisfactory manner, but special mention should be made of the work done by Charles C. Jones, the Chairman of the Property Committee. He has labored long and well.

Due to the amendment to the By-Laws passed at the October Meeting of the Vestry restriction on the length of service for Vestry members was removed, with the result there is only one new member this year, Mrs. Lionel King (Ena). We welcome her, and I am sure she will be most effective.

A good example of the loyalty of some of our members is Mr. Edward McDougall, who so capably filled the responsibilities of the Accounting Warden during his three month absence. Ed chose not to accept the nomination to the Vestry for another term in order to make room for new blood. Despite this, he has accepted assignment to the Finance Committee, and is the Assistant Accounting Warden.

The year 1974 has seen more non-Vestry members appointed to Committees, and we hope in this manner to make use of our members talents and stimulate interest.

Bishop Ogilby met with the Vestry at our December meeting, and after reviewing our presentation, informed us he would stand ready to assist us, but we must tell him what we wanted. Based on this, at the 1974 January meeting the Vestry unanimously voted to apply to the Diocesan Council for change of status from an independent Parish to that of an aided Parish. This was formally presented to the Diocese on January 22, 1974.

In my report for 1968, I stated, " We have no problems that additional interested members will not overcome. Let us become evangelistic and bring those members in."

They are coming in - - - let us put them to work and keep their interest, and Let our Prayer be - - -

' A BETTER CHURCH LORD, BEGINNING WITH ME.'

Ellwood A. Booth

Ellwood A. Booth,
Rector's Warden

'ACCOUNTING WARDEN'S REPORT'

Financially, the year 1973 was a bad one for our Parish. The 'Balance Sheet', which follows the detailed report of our Receipts and Disbursements, shows that we finished the year with a working capital of nearly $4,200.00 less than when we began it.

Thus, unless there is some help forthcoming from the Diocese, it will be necessary for us to dispose of some, or all of our securities in 1974.

While our attendance again declined, it was the smallest decrease of any year since 1969.

Our giving for Parish use remained about the same despite our fewer numbers.

But again, salaries alone were more than the total amount received through Plate, Envelopes and Special Offerings.

Our application for Aided Parish status has been forwarded to the Diocese, and it is hoped that some way can be found for us to continue our ministry.

I should like to thank our Assistant Accounting Warden, Edward McDougall for taking over my duties during my more than four months absence from the Parish.

I am most grateful.

Respectfully submitted,

Walter F. Staton

Walter F.Staton,
Accounting Warden

'R E C E I P T S'

JANUARY 1,1973 TO DECEMBER 31,1973

'FOR PARISH USE'

PLATE AND INITIAL	728.38	
ENVELOPES:		
GENERAL EXPENSE	16,014.68	
HEAT AND LIGHT	551.73	
PENSION	386.30	
EASTER OFFERING	660.50	
LENTEN DIME FOLDERS	278.00	
CHRISTMAS OFFERING	496.00	19,115.59
FROM OTHER SOURCES:		
WOMEN OF THE CHURCH	1,000.00	
ALTAR GUILD MEMORIAL	56.00	
F.PHYLLIS LIVESEY BEQUEST	500.00	
HOLLY BAZAAR	1,027.48	
INTEREST SAVINGS ACCOUNT	215.47	
INTEREST SAVINGS CERT.	527.48	
STOCK DIVIDENDS	35.20	
INTEREST IMP.BLDG.FUND	150.18	
CHURCH SCHOOL OFFERING	141.69	
CHURCH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES	331.10	
ROOM RENTAL	68.00	
RUMMAGE SALE	204.05	4,256.65
REFUNDS:		
TELEPHONE	196.87	
INSURANCE	134.13	
HOSP.HR. & CORP.COMM.	11.22	
OFFICE SUPPLIES	46.02	
CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS	16.00	
TELEPHONE INCOME	.43	404.67
TRANSFERS:		
FROM SAVINGS ACCOUNT	(3,000.00)	
FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSES:		
THANKSGIVING(CHAPLAINCY)	94.00	
UNITED THANK OFFERING	200.00	
LENTEN MITE BOX	15.87	
THEO.ED. SUNDAY	5.00	
IMP.BLDG.& EMERG.FUND	1,649.50	
GENERAL CHURCH(MISSIONS)	785.91	
INTEREST BERRY FLOWER FUND	12.71	2,762.99
TOTAL:		26,539.90

'D I S B U R S E M E N T S'

JANUARY 1, 1973 TO DECEMBER 31,1973

SALARIES:		
RECTOR	11,165.15	
SUPPLY	15.00	
PENSION PREMIUM	2,666.24	
LIFE & MED.INS.PREMIUM	827.52	
CAR ALLOWANCE	1,400.04	
ORGANIST	1,861.20	
SUPPLY	100.00	
SEXTON	1,455.32	
PHILA.WAGE TAX	392.82	
RECTOR'S CAR INS.	27.50	19,910.79
RECTORY MAINTENANCE:		
ELECTRIC	257.34	
GAS	256.24	
REPAIRS	322.00	
TAXES	359.47	1,195.05
CHURCH MAINTENANCE:		
ELECTRIC	777.13	
GAS	44.31	
TELEPHONES	514.21	
FUEL	1,506.75	
REPAIRS	837.47	
CARE OF GROUNDS	360.00	
OFFICE SUPPLIES	700.71	
POSTAGE	195.40	
JANITOR SUPPLIES	61.14	
ALTAR SUP.& DECORATIONS	105.78	
MUSIC CHOIR & MAINTENANCE	149.60	
HOSP.HR. & CORP.COMM.	8.55	
CARE OF PAPERS	7.50	
INSURANCE PREMIUM	985.00	
FIRE EXT. & BOILER MAINT.	12.00	
DEANERY DUES	25.00	
CHURCH SCHOOL	480.43	
ADVANCE FOR BAZAAR	35.60	
IMP.BLDG.& EMERG.FUND	1,649.50	8,456.08
FOR WORK OUTSIDE PARISH:		
EPISC.COMM.SERV.(MITE BOX)	27.16	
UNITED THANK OFFERING	200.00	
GENERAL CHURCH(MISSIONS)	785.91	
CHAPLAINCY FUND(THANKSGIVING)	89.00	
BISHOP'S FUND	25.17	
CHURCH ARMY	25.00	1,152.24
GRAND TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS:		30,714.16

'B A L A N C E S H E E T'

JANUARY 1,1973 TO DECEMBER 31,1973

BLANCE ON HAND 1-1-73		8,200.36
RECEIPTS AS OF 12-31-73		26,539.90
	TOTAL:	34,740.26
DISBURSEMENTS AS OF 12-31-73		30,714.16
BALANCE ON HAND 1-1-74		4,026.10

CHECKING ACCOUNT	1,848.60
SAVINGS ACCOUNT	2,177.50
TOTAL:	4,026.10

SECURITIES:

SAVINGS CERT.#1768		2,500.00
SAVINGS CERT.#1752		5,000.00
SUN OIL STOCK 3-Shares @56.75		454.00
	TOTAL:	7,954.00

SEPARATE CHURCH FUNDS:

IMP. BLDG. & EMERG.FUND		4,163.82
BERRY FLOWER FUND		250.00
	TOTAL:	4,413.82

GRAND TOTAL ALL FUNDS, UNDER CONTROL OF TREASURER: $ 16,393.92

'DETAIL EXPENSE SHEET'

CATEGORY	GROSS	CREDIT	NET
TELEPHONE	514.21	197.30	316.91
INSURANCE(PROPERTY)	985.00	134.13	850.87
HOSP.HR.& CORP.COMM.	8.55	11.22	2.67(cr.)
OFFICE SUPPLIES	700.71	46.02	654.67
CHURCH SCHOOL	480.43	472.79	7.64
CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS	43.42	16.00	27.52

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'COMPARISION OF OFFERINGS AND ATTENDANCE'

	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973
PLATE COLLECTIONS	772.43	730.15	832.19	605.44	728.34
GENERAL EXPENSE(BLACK)	15,656.68	15,898.55	16,938.57	16,118.47	16,014.68
WORK OUTSIDE PARISH(RED)	1,849.01	1,196.89	1,033.08	1,043.73	785.91
HEAT-LIGHT	550.84	558.38	571.52	532.30	551.73
PENSION	382.71	397.63	396.59	392.06	386.30
TOTAL:	19,212.07	18,781.60	19,771.95	18,692.00	18,466.96
BLDG. & MEM.FUND	545.50	147.50	324.23	718.00	1,649.50

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YEAR	SERVICES	ATTENDANCE
1969	194	6667
1970	181	6218
1971	157	5280
1972	137	5118
1973	146	5067

'1974 BUDGET'

RECEIPTS (Anticipated)

	TO 9-30-72	TO 9-30-73	TO 12-31-72	TO(Est.) 12-31-73	BUDGET 1973	BUDGET 1974
Plate	427.86	471.11	578.69	625.00	-	-
Initial	26.75	43.50	26.75	43.50	600.00	600.00
Pledges(Blk.)	11,071.69	11,742.73	16,118.47	17,000.00	14,000.00	17,000.00
Heat-Light	398.14	421.79	532.30	-	-	-
Pension	283.25	292.45	392.06	900.00	850.00	850.00
Sub-total:	12,207.69	12,971.58	17,648.27	18,568.50	15,450.00	18,450.00
Christmas Off.	59.50	16.00	816.50	750.00	700.00	700.00
Easter Off.	780.38	666.50	780.38	666.50	700.00	700.00
Sub-total:	839.88	682.50	1,596.88	1,416.50	1,400.00	1,400.00
Dime Folders	191.40	278.00	191.40	278.00	250.00	300.00
Int.on Savings	503.83	568.96	785.48	860.00	800.00	800.00
Fund Raising	521.29	704.05	2,326.47	1,800.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Sub-total:	1,216.52	1,551.01	3,303.35	2,938.00	2,550.00	2,600.00
Bequest		500.00		500.00		
TOTAL:	14,264.09	15,705.09	22,548.50	23,423.00	19,400.00	22,450.00

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DISBURSEMENTS:	ACTUAL 1972	REVISED 1973 BUDGET	EST. 1973	BUDGET 1974
Salaries & Other Benefits	19,648.76	20,860.00	19,797.00	21,000.00
Rectory Maintenance	1,128.39	1,350.00	1,180.00	1,350.00
Sub-total:	20,777.15	22,210.00	20,977.00	22,350.00
Church Maintenance (Gas,Oil,Elect,Tel.,Repairs) (Ground Care,etc.)	4,631.43	4,140.00	3,912.00	4,800.00
Music,Janitor,Altar,Office Supplies, Postage,etc.	1,023.11	975.00	1,340.00	1,200.00
Insurance,Deanery Dues, Advert.,Hosp.Hr.,etc.	1,283.12	1,132.50	1,073.00	1,100.00
Total Church Maint:	6,947.66	6,247.50	6,325.00	7,100.00
TOTAL:-	27,724.81	28,457.50	27,302.00	29,450.00

'CHURCH SCHOOL '73'

I now take this opportunity to say "Well done" to our Church School for '73 in a most humble way.

But we must continue to ask for God's guidance, so that we the Officers and Teachers will do all we can to make the New Year of '74 a good year for you, a source of strength, comfort and inspiration, and with God's guidance we earnestly believe that we will succeed.

Our teaching staff comprised of Mrs. Gloria Cross, Mrs. Etther White, Miss Nancy Hess, Miss Vicki Johnson, Mrs. Eugene Grant, Mrs. Ena King and Miss Jennifer King. Officers are Mrs. Ann Booth, co-ordinator and Mr. Lionel King, Superintendent, Mrs. Patricia Major, Secretary and Mr. Walter Staton, Treasurer.

The picnic was attended by 114 children and adults, but we like very much to see more church members and parents of the Church School students in attendance. Everyone had a splendid time, in spite of the inclement weather.

We also have to commend the Rector for his diligence towards the Church School; since the hour has been changed to 9:30 A.M., to help during the energy crisis, this allows him to be with us for a longer period, which adds helpful aspect to our morning session. This also allows the pupils to have more contact with him and become more familiar with the church.

Congratulations to Mrs. A. Booth, and all those who were responsibile in preparing for our Christmas Festival, 'The Nativity Pageant', which was dramatic, and very illustrating indeed.

We are grateful to the Rector for all his assistance towards us, and we look forward to an even deeper association with him in '74, and with the help of God we will restore our Church School to a place of importance and effectiveness, as a teaching instrument for the young members of our Parish family.

We invite your prayers, and your interest in our undertakings.

Lionel King
Lionel King,
Superintendent
Church School

WOMEN OF THE CHURCH

During the past year we changed the hour of our Monthly meeting and we now meet at approximately 10:00 A.M. immediately following the 9:30 A.M. Communion Service on the First Wednesday of each month. We WELCOME all of the women of St. Matthias to join us at the Service of Holy Communion and our meeting which follows.

We had a most successful Bake Sale in October and we thank all who helped in this endeavor.

During the latter part of the year our Card Parties were not as well attended as in the past and we urge all of you to join us and bring a friend or neighbor to enjoy our home made cakes and coffee in a friendly atmosphere on the Third Tuesday of every month. We need the support of all our ladies to make the Card Parties a profitable venture.

Our deepest appreciation goes to our small band of always dependable workers who take on the responsibility of our Card Parties and provide the home made goodies and prizes !

Marion W. Kane

Marion W. Kane,
President

WOMEN OF THE CHURCH

FINANCIAL STATEMENT:

FUND RAISING - 1973

Offering	$ 48.00
Christmas Calenders	4.00
Card Parties	562.63
Forwards	7.05
Donations	20.25
Cake Sale	178.00
TOTAL:-	$ 819.93

DISBURSEMENTS:

Memorials: Agnes Otto	10.00
Sara Ploetz	10.00
Plates, Cups, Double Tickets	17.60
Christmas Calenders	2.28
Birthday Gift Rev. Mauch	15.00
Forward Movement Publication	3.90
Easter Gift St. Matthias	500.00
Seamen's Institute	5.00
Christmas Gift St. Matthias	500.00
" " Rev. Mauch	25.00
" " Sexton	10.00
TOTAL:-	$1,098.78

Balance:	1-1-73	1-1-74
Fidelity	327.81	189.51
Community Federal	296.88	151.51

Respectfully submitted,
Emilie L. Murdock
Emilie Murdock
Treasurer

'THE WOMEN'S WORK SHOP'

In writing this, a word must be said in fond, and loving remembrance of the one who started our Work Shop many years ago in the Rectory, leaving much disorder and mess, but never-the-less accomplishing all that she wanted, this I must say:-

> MARY JANE MAUCH- a person is a sucess who has lived well, laughed often and loved much; who has gained the respect of intelligent men and women and the love of children; who has filled their niche and accomplished their task; who leaves the world better than they found it, whether by an improved flower, a perfect poem or a rescued soul; who never lacked appreciation of earth's beauty or failed to express it; who looked for the best in others and gave the best that they had to give. Mary Jane was a success.

We have much to remember and yet, much to do. At this time in order to fullfil our Women's responsibilities as an active, working group, we do need more hands and hearts to accomplish our work.

We urge all who feel interested in the planning and making of items for sale in our Card Parties, Bazaars and other functions to please come forward and be heard.

We meet every Wednesday morning after the service of Holy Communion. Our needs are greater at this time to further the progress of our Parish, your help in this group is needed, it is a mere pittance, but the smallest at times becomes the greatest.

Ann H. Booth

Ann H. Booth

A L T A R G U I L D

During the year preparations were made for 193 Services of which 183 were week-day and Holy Day Services. We also prepared for 8 Baptisms, and 3 Services for the Burial of the Dead.

We disbursed $243.73 to cover the cost of supplies and we replaced the metal liners of our brass flower vases at a cost of $19.60. We also paid $2.00 Annual dues and made a contribution of $8.00 to the Diocesan Altar Guild.

With the aid of a sizeable gift from Mrs. Cleon Book, we purchased two crystal Communion Cruets and these were consecrated by the Rector in sacred memory of Mrs. Oliver Otto, a faithful and devoted member of St. Matthias.

We again issue our plea for volunteers to serve on the Altar Guild. Please contact Mrs. Joseph Martin, our Directress, who will welcome you to join us and will be glad to instruct you in your duties. Your help will certainly be appreciated and we know you will derive a great deal of personal satisfaction in this most important and essential work.

We thank all ho have assisted in delivering the Altar Flowers to our ill and shut-ins and we are most grateful for the assistance of the men of the Parish who delivered the Easter and Christmas plants.

You were all most generous in your contributions to our Easter, All Saint's Day and Christmas Memorials and we very much appreciate your help.

Marion W. Kane

Marion W. Kane

'ALTAR GUILD'

'F I N A N C I A L R E P O R T'

Balance Forward January 1,1973 $ 655.65

Receipts:-		Disbursements:	
January	$ 116.00	January	$ 182.00
February	81.14	February	48.39
March	18.00	March	90.00
April	311.00	April	70.40
May	43.00	May	173.00
June	64.00	June	68.39
July	-	July	29.80
August	21.12	August	36.00
September	-	September	83.60
October	89.00	October	-
November	114.50	November	226.50
December	243.00	December	57.35
Total:	$ 1,100.76		$ 1,065.33

Bal. 1-1-73 655.65
Total: $ 1,756.41

Balance January 1,1974 $ 691.08

Respectfully submitted,

Marion W. Kane

Marion W. Kane,
Treasurer

'OUR ANNUAL BAZAAR'

For a While, it looked as tho we would not have this event in 1973. Due to the problems of security, loss of many of our customers, and scarcity of personnel, it was difficult to generate any enthusiasm for a Bazaar.

However, the Women of the Church were in accord with the wishes of the Vestry to have the Bazaar, even tho it would be on a limited scale as to offerings, and shortened hours.

As we can see from the financial report, this perserverance resulted in a net income of nearly $1,000.00.

Many thanks are due those who had faith in this project and worked so hard on it, and it certainly illustrates the fact that many things may still be accomplished with proper planning and effort.

Ellwood A. Booth

Ellwood A. Booth

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'BAZAAR RECEIPTS 1973'

Workshop	-	204.45
Aprons & Misc.	-	81.25
Cake and Candy	-	185.10
Trombola	-	77.00
Cards	-	36.20
Dinner	-	189.00
Donations	-	55.00
Pennies	-	151.45
TOTAL:-		979.45

John L.MacEwan,Jr.

John L. MacEwan Jr.

USHERS REPORT

We wish to express our thanks to the men of the Church who have so faithfully performed their duties during the past year.

We again remind our members who require transportation to or from services, that if you will make your wishes known to any of the Ushers, we will do our utmost to provide this service to meet your convenience.

We would like very much to involve more of the men of the Church as Ushers. This is a most important and meaningful part of our Sunday Services, and we will certainly appreciate hearing from volunteers !

Please tell Charles Kane of your desire to serve, and you will receive instructions and your name will be included in our schedule.

Charles W. Kane

Charles W. Kane,
Chairman,
Ushering Committee

'UNITED THANK OFFERING'

For the past few years our United Thank Offering has been on a yearly basis rather than twice year. This was mainly the result of the changeover of Custodians. This past spring a new U.T.O. custodian was appointed and all effort was made to have the Fall In-gathering a profitable one.

For the Fall mailing, we sent out 68 letters and our returns numbered the same amount, totaling $200.00 in receipts. We are very proud of these results, and through this effort, we anticipate having our regular Spring In-gathering in May.

Please inquire about your Blue Box if you do not have one, as we will have them available.

May I say, that it was very rewarding to attend the Diocesan United Thank Offering service, held at Christ's Church, on the 18th of November 1973. It was rewarding and very inspiring to me. As the new Custodian, it was a revelation to me regarding this fine work.

We are looking forward to our Spring offering, and with your cooperation, it will be just as inspiring.

Gloria Cross
Gloria Cross,
U.T.O. Custodian

I N M E M O R I A M

AGNES Y. OTTO

WILLIAM J. WATSON

F. PHYLLIS LIVEZEY

SARAH A. PLOETZ

CARL VOSS

MARY JANE MAUCH

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BARBARA (SODER) ABLING

FRANK CASH

Lord, how shall we know that they still
  Walk unseen, with us, and Thee;
Nor sleep, nor wander far away?
  He smiled and said, "Abide with Me."